

## LOCAL MENTION

Miss Miriam Bleck is home for the holidays.

Bernard Matkin is visiting friends at St. Louis this week.

Miss Rose Turner is visiting friends at Leadwood this week.

Cut to pieces—prices on Hats at the Enterprise.

Wm. Crow of Bismarck was here on business Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Radle made a business trip to Plattsburg, Mo., last Thursday.

Mrs. Lou Horton of St. Louis is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Haile.

Shelby Lyons of Buhl, Idaho, is here this week on a visit to his mother.

Ladies' Underwear going at bargain prices, at the Enterprise.

Don't forget to change the last figure in your date lines after next Monday.

Emmett Calverd and wife spent Christmas with home folks on Route Four.

Miss Edna Edwards of St. Louis spent Christmas here with her parents.

Miss Bethel Lawrence of Mexico, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. Frank S. Weber.

Special sale of Stamped Goods at reduced prices, at the Enterprise.

Wilbur Akers of Bonen Terre spent Christmas with home folks in Farmington.

Elmer Ferguson of Chicago, Ill., is here visiting his mother, Mrs. R. Ferguson.

Burdine Crowe was up from Fredericktown to spend the holidays with her parents.

Floyd Walter, who is employed in St. Louis, spent Christmas here with his parents.

Mrs. F. E. Murphy left Wednesday for Fredericktown for a short visit with friends.

We still have a few of those Sample Corsets—high-grade at low prices—at the Enterprise.

Mrs. Charles McCarthy is visiting her sister, Mrs. Blackwell, at Staunton, Ill.

Miss Myra Dobbins left last Monday for a week's visit with relatives in St. Louis.

John White of Frankfort, Mo., is transacting business in Farmington Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheets of Flat River were Farmington visitors the first of the week.

Albert Mesinger of Bellflower, Mo., spent Christmas here with his niece, Mrs. L. O. Wells.

Mrs. W. B. Campbell spent a few days this week with Mrs. C. H. Barker at Bonne Terre.

Clyde McClintock came down from St. Louis to enjoy the Christmas season with home folks.

If you are wanting the best Crown and Bridge Work, call on Dr. Walsh, Room 6, Realty Building.

Opal Evans and Meyer Mayberry are home from William Jewell College for the holiday season.

Earl Williams, who has employment in Chicago, was here to spend Christmas with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brenecke of St. Louis spent Christmas here with J. W. Ingram and family.

Carroll Phillips of Bonne Terre spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Phillips.

Miss Esther Hoffman is home from the Cape Girardeau Normal to spend the holidays with home folks.

George Giessing of Miami, Okla., spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Giessing.

F. E. Clay, Joe Neal and Mrs. Wm. Moore of Frankford were in Farmington on business Wednesday.

Winston Gardner of Piedmont spent Christmas here with his parents, Judge and Mrs. W. A. Gardner.

Walter Trauernicht of St. Louis spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Trauernicht.

FOR SALE—3, 4 or 8 acre farm near Farmington. See Charles Calverd, Farmers Bank Building. 51-2w

Carson and Munson Morris, who are attending the Rolla School of Mines, are home for the holidays.

Harvey Haile and Clyde Gale, who are attending Westminster College at Fulton, are home for the holidays.

Leon Haile, who has employment in St. Louis, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Haile.

A. T. Nixon, whose business headquarters are at Muskogee, Okla., is home with his family for the holidays.

R. J. Clay returned home Wednesday from a two weeks' visit with his daughter, Mrs. Geo. Rudy, at Webb City.

Miss Ollie Womack returned Sunday from Granite City, Ill., where she has been visiting relatives the past few weeks.

G. M. London, who has been looking after his mineral interest at Miami, Okla., spent the yuletide with his family.

Miss Florence Good of St. Louis is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Good, and her uncle, Justice Wm. Good.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis have been spending the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lindsay, in St. Louis.

Prof. M. W. Crowder, teacher at Cross Roads school, near Mine La Motte, is spending the holidays here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Burks with Thomas and Miss Mary, spent the holidays with their sisters, Misses Mary and Emma Lang.

When you want to buy, sell or trade farm or town property, see Charles Calverd, Farmers Bank Building. 51-2w

George Trauernicht, who is stenographer and bookkeeper for the Billhartz Mining Co., at Miami, Okla., spent Christmas here.

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The Times wishes all a very happy and prosperous New Year. May one and all enjoy the fullest measure of good times during 1917.

Miss Pauline Byington, who is teaching in Sikeston, came home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byington.

Miss Irene Antoine, who is teaching at French Village, is spending the holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Antoine.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo McClintock and little son, Elmo, Jr., spent Christmas here with Mr. McClintock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McClintock.

Frank Ledbetter, Gilbert Chandler, Kossuth Blomeyer, who are students of the State University, are enjoying the Christmas holidays at home.

Merrill Pipkin left the last of the week for a several days' business trip to DeSoto, Hillsboro and other points in Jefferson and adjoining counties.

Miss Lurine Tetley, who is attending school at the Cape Girardeau Normal, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Tetley.

Mr. and Mrs. Linn Rariden of St. Louis were here the first of the week spending Christmas with Mr. Rariden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rariden.

Call and get my prices and terms on Pianos, Player Pianos and celebrated Pathe Talking Machines.—W. A. Gillam, Bonne Terre and Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Bullware of Louisville, Ky., were guests the first part of the week of Mrs. Bullware's parents, Rev. and Mrs. O. H. L. Cunningham.

Miss Marguerite Hermann, who is attending the Catholic Convent at Arcadia, Mo., is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herman.

Miss Bernice McCarthy, who is attending Stephens College at Columbia, is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCarthy.

Stoves! Stoves! Stoves! All kinds of Stoves, for coal or wood, at prices that are right. You should see them before placing your order, at Moll & Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Frierson of Jonesboro, Ark., spent Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. M. L. Clardy. Mrs. Charles Hudson was also down to visit her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morsey returned Tuesday from Christmas visits to St. Louis and to Mr. Morsey's old home in Warrenton, Mo.

Fred Murrill, wife and son, Glenwood; James Morris, wife and baby; Marvin Hovis, wife and two children of Desloge, spent Christmas here with Chas. Calverd and family.

Mrs. D. L. Delaney of Flat River and Mrs. Ralph Isaacs and charming little daughter, Alta Marie, of Decatur, Ill., visited Miss Rachel Murrill and other friends in town Thursday.

If you don't buy "Direct from the Factory," you are paying the middleman's profit. Gillam's way is "Direct from Factory to Home."—Bonne Terre and Farmington.

Mrs. D. B. Martin and Mrs. Libby Henderson Holford and little daughter, Lillian, of Poplar Bluff, mother and sister of T. N. Henderson, and W. H. Henderson and Mrs. F. B. Counts are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Boyd of Ft. Sumner, N. M., arrived in Farmington yesterday morning for a visit with relatives and old friends in this vicinity. They were formerly well known in this community. Mr. Boyd once being in the mercantile business in Farmington.

Representative and Mrs. G. W. Moothart left yesterday afternoon for Jefferson City for the next session of the Legislature, which convenes next week. They will make a brief visit in St. Louis before going on to the Capitol, where they already have quarters engaged.

Ask the one wanting to sell you a piano, if it is a standard piano, and how many are making a profit on it. Gillam's way is "Direct from Factory to Home."—Bonne Terre and Farmington.

If the gentleman who left his umbrella at The Times office Tuesday and mistakably carried off the wrong one will return the latter we will be pleased to exchange. The one he carried away was of silk and had the initials T. D. F. engraved on a silver tip of the handle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sigman of St. Louis are visiting Mr. Sigman's mother and Mrs. Sigman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Janis, in the Jaycee neighborhood. Mr. Sigman, who is associated with the Birmingham & Seaman Paper Company of St. Louis, was in Farmington Wednesday and made The Times an appreciated call and ordered the paper sent to his address.

As an inducement to any one wanting to buy an Overcoat or Lady's wrap, we will give a special 10 per cent discount for CASH.

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## Death of "Uncle" Jesse Eaton

"Uncle" Jesse Eaton, one of St. Francois county's oldest and most highly respected citizens, died at his home in Desloge yesterday afternoon, December 28, at 12:20 o'clock. Mr. Eaton was 81 years of age, and had been suffering for some time with Bright's disease, which was the immediate cause of his death. He was widely known over the county, and his genial, wholesome and jovial nature made him a favorite among his large circle of friends and acquaintances. He leaves seven children—Miss Mary, who lived with him, Mrs. Harry Sutton of Farmington, Mrs. J. H. Janis of Leadwood, Henry Eaton of Desloge, James Eaton of Hazel Run, Bart Eaton of Flat River and Lee Eaton of Elvins.

Funeral services will be held at the home in Desloge at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, and interment will take place at the Mitchell cemetery.

We will try to give a more extended notice of this good old man in our next number.

## STORES TO CLOSE ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

The following merchants of Farmington have agreed to close their places all day on New Year's, Monday, January 1:

Fischer Mercantile Co.  
Klein Grocer Co.  
Henderson Store Company.  
Jacob Helber.  
Mell & Phillips.  
Boswell & Helber.  
J. M. Karsch Shoe Company.  
George Herzog & Son.  
Morris Brothers.  
Tetley Jewelry Company.  
Farmington Mercantile Company.  
A. C. Boyd.

And the following barber shops:  
Peter Schmidt.  
H. Roberts.  
E. Beard.  
T. Smith.

## FINGERS BLOWN OFF BY DYNAMITE CAP

On Thursday, while Mrs. Price of Doe Run, aged 64 years, was handling a dynamite cap, it exploded and three of her fingers were blown off or so mangled that they had to be amputated.

Mrs. F. M. Horton of Flat River was visiting in Farmington Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Tetley and children, Children and Ann Caroline, visited relatives in Fredericktown the first of the week.

Now is the time to make up your list of good resolutions, and they should be made with a firm and steady purpose to carry them out faithfully.

Philip Alexander, who is now in the employ of the Mine La Motte Company as civil engineer, was here to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother.

Miss Virginia Marbury very pleasantly entertained Wednesday evening at six o'clock dinner. The guests were Misses Helen Scrutfield, Alma Williams and Helen Graves.

A splendid resolution for every local citizen: That I will do everything within my power for the good and upbuilding of Farmington and St. Francois county during 1917. Try out such a resolution during the New Year and see if added happiness and prosperity does not come to you and yours.

Sam J. McMinn, of Buchanan, Bollinger county, member of the Board of Managers of State Hospital No. 4, arrived in Farmington Wednesday morning to attend a meeting of the Board, which convened yesterday. He put in most of Wednesday looking over the institution; he also made The Times office an appreciated call.

W. C. Ashburn of Bonne Terre was a Farmington visitor last Friday and made The Times a much appreciated call. Mr. Ashburn is one of the county's older and most highly esteemed citizens. He was born in Kentucky, but came with his parents to this county when only seven years of age. Since then he has lived on the farm bought by his father near Bonne Terre—nearly 70 years—until a little more than a year ago, when he turned the farm over to his son and moved into town. Mr. Ashburn is one of the best preserved and youngest looking men for his age in the county, and due to his upright life and success as a farmer can afford to take things easy and comfortable.

The large number of members and friends of the Southern Methodist church of this city who attended the Christmas entertainment and social in the basement of the church last Friday evening were surprised and pleased with the improvements made. Under the supervision of the pastor, O. H. Duggins, this dark, damp, and practically useless space has been converted into useful, attractive rooms. Windows have been lowered, several hundred feet of drain tile laid to make it dry, 3600 feet of granite flooring made, iron posts put in, a kitchen, fuel, boiler and motor rooms partitioned off, while paint and paper did the rest. The improved basement probably adds a third to the utility of the building.

The Ozark Business College, Farmington, will begin its regular Winter Term Tuesday, January 2d, 1917, when new classes will be organized to accommodate beginning students. For booklet and further particulars, address G. W. Moothart, President, or George A. Miller, Vice-President.

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## BANDY—CARVER

Daniel Bandy and Miss Myrtle Carver of East St. Louis, Ill., were married in Farmington December 26, 1916, by Justice Wm. Good officiating. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Carver of Doe Run and they will visit a while with them before returning to their home in East St. Louis. The best wishes of friends are extended for a happy and prosperous life.

## HOOD—HILLEMAN

Paris Hood of Flat River and Miss Minnie Hilleman of St. Louis were married in Farmington December 26, 1916, by Justice Wm. Good. G. L. Hood and Miss Laport acted as groomsmen and bridesmaid. Their friends join in wishing them much happiness and prosperity.

## TRIBBEY—NASH

Alfred Tribbey of Elvins and Miss May Nash of Flat River were united in marriage by Justice Wm. Good in Farmington on December 26, 1916. Fred and Miss Carrie Elman were present as witnesses. The couple will make their home at Elvins, and the wish of their friends is that it may be filled with peace, happiness and plenty.

## COOK—DOSS

On Christmas Day, at one o'clock, there was a quiet wedding at the home of Judge W. F. Doss, when his daughter, Miss Nellie May Doss, was united in marriage to Mr. Edmund Lee Cook of Ironton, Mo., the Rev. O. H. Duggins performing the ceremony. Mr. Will Doss of St. Louis, the bride's brother, came down for the wedding and brought with him an old classmate, Mr. Merg, who is also a friend of Mr. Cook. Miss Mary Taylor and Mr. Roy Johnson were also guests on the occasion. Mr. Cook is cashier of the bank at Ironton. He and his bride left for St. Louis on the afternoon train for a visit before going to their home in Ironton. The good wishes of the bride's host of friends here attend them both.

## BIRTHS

Born, December 27, 1916, to the wife of Congressman Walter L. Hensley, a son.

Born, December 24, 1916, to the wife of Morris Griffin of R. F. D. No. 1, a son.

Born, December 23, 1916, to the wife of John Leigh, a son.

Born December 25, 1916, to the wife of J. A. LaGrand of Doe Run, a son.

## LICENSED TO MARRY

December 26th, James S. Ritter and Bertha E. Cunningham of Leadwood. 21st, H. R. Sloan of St. Francois and Nora A. Blankenship of Elvins. 21st, J. W. Porter and Lorado Williams of Desloge.

23rd, Paris Hood of St. Francois and Minnie Hillman of Flat River.

23rd, O. M. Nuckles of Flat River and Mary M. McDowell of Esther.

23rd, C. S. Dalton of Flat River and Fland Graff of Sprott.

23rd, Z. E. Smith of St. Francois and Callie Engleman of Cantwell.

18th, Edmund Linn Cook of Ironton and Nellie May Doss of Farmington.

26th, Alfred Tribbey of Elvins and May Nash of Flat River.

26th, Dan Bandy of East St. Louis and Myrtle Carver of Doe Run.

26th, V. O. Rector of Advance, Boone county, and Tilla N. Smith of Farmington.

23rd, Frank Mecey and Addie Allen of Flat River.

23rd, Marion Osborn and Bessie Miller of Elvins.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends and relatives who were so kind during the sickness and death of our dear brother, George Clay. May the Lord

## GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Swearingen celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on Christmas Day, at their home two miles north of Farmington. The families of their three children were all present—Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Swearingen of Hayti, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. F. M. (Lell) Horton and son, Thomas, of Flat River, and Mr. and Mrs. Zeno L. Swearingen and children, Willie and Walter, of St. Louis, besides about 150 guests from Flat River, Farmington and the surrounding country. Among those from a distance were S. R. Turley of Ft. Payne, Ala., brother of Mrs. Swearingen, Mrs. A. Turley of Paragould, Ark., and Judge and Mrs. T. B. Straughan and daughter, Mrs. Peter Weiler, of Ste. Genevieve.

The home was beautifully decorated in gold and white, and a profusion of cut flowers of the prevailing color (yellow and white) were artistically arranged on the dining table and about the reception room. Mr. and Mrs. Swearingen, their bright faces wreathed in smiles, stood beneath a large golden bell and received their congratulating guests. The sometimes custom on such occasions of going through with the marriage ceremony was omitted, but Rev. R. C. Martin, who on December 19th passed the 82nd mile stone of life's journey, read a chapter from Holy Writ, commented on the long, beautiful, serene and happy life of the groom and bride of fifty years ago, and reverently asked God's blessing and continued watchcare over them.

Three of the guests present were at the wedding on December 25th, 1866—S. R. Turley and Mrs. A. Turley, mentioned above, and Mrs. Lucetta Hunt (nee Turley) of Flat River, a cousin of Mrs. Swearingen. Mrs. Hunt, to the delight of all present, gave a description of that wedding, and especially of the dinner. Among other things on the table was a roasted pig with a large red apple in its mouth, baked wild turkey, and cake made with butter milk and soda—they didn't then have the prepared baking powder now so handy for making cakes—and of course the old-time custard and float, pies and other "goodies." Pointing to an old Seth Thomas clock that was ticking away in the room, she said, "and that old clock was there, ticking away just as it is today." It has been in the family ever since and is as regular and good a time marker as it ever was.

Mrs. Edith Ledbetter, a granddaughter of Mrs. Hunt, then sang in a sweet and most effective way that beautiful old song, "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

Mr. Swearingen is 75 years of age and the "idol of his heart" is 66. They are both well preserved and in good health, and the kindness of their dear old hearts beamed upon their guests and radiated happiness all around. It was a delightful occasion for all who were so fortunate as to be present, and these dear old hearts will cherish it the balance of their days as well as the sincere congratulations tendered them and the many beautiful presents of which they were the recipients on this golden anniversary. Numerous letters of congratulation from friends and relatives in many States were received by them, and of course these are prized very highly.

Mr. and Mrs. Swearingen were both born and reared in this vicinity—the former in St. Francois county and the latter in Ste. Genevieve county. They have lived here all their lives and are among our very best people, enjoying the love, esteem and respect of a wide circle of friends and acquaintances in the highest degree. The Times joins all their other friends in wishing for them the largest meed of peace, joy and happiness in the many years that we hope are in store for them.

## ESTRAY NOTICE

Strayed off the range, 2 yearlings, one black steer and one brindle heifer. Both marked with split in left and under-half crop in right ears; hog ring in right ears. Liberal reward for information leading to their recovery. Geo. S. Matkin, Bismarck, Mo. 50-6t

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## Church Notices

**Christian Science**  
Subject: "Christian Science." Golden text: Revelation 22:2. Services are held each Sunday morning at eleven o'clock and each Wednesday evening at eight o'clock in the News Building. The Wednesday night meeting is the testimony meeting. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

**Christian Church**  
J. M. Bailey, Minister  
We have come to the last services of the year. May we not make it the best? As we review the year we see that some progress has been made. Our church is stronger numerically, and we also hope spiritually, than one year ago. Let us begin the New Year by being present at the last services of the year, and ask forgiveness for past failures and mistakes, and help for the future. Services at the usual hours. Come and worship with us.

**Lutheran Church**  
H. Hinkelberg, Pastor  
Last Sunday of the year.  
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.  
English preaching service at 10:30 a. m. Subject of sermon: "Fading as a Leaf."  
The Ladies' Aid meets at 2 p. m.  
German preaching service in the evening at 7:30. Subject of sermon: "The Love of God—A Christian's Contemplation in the Closing Hours of the Passing Year."  
New Year's Day—German preaching service in the morning at 10:30. Subject of sermon: "Being Children of God—A New Year's Meditation."  
A cordial welcome to all.  
The Young People's Society meets Thursday evening at 7:30.

## GOES TO FLORIDA TO TEACH VOCAL MUSIC

Miss Agnes Haile left today for Fernandina, Florida, where she will teach vocal music. She has had a three years course of study at the Schubert School of Music under Mrs. C. O. Nelson, who was a pupil of Root of Chicago, and Haile and Agimonti of New York. Miss Haile has also taken Kindergarten music from Mrs. Eisenberg-Beard and a course of Public School music at Hardin College, Mexico, Mo. She is a most talented young singer and will prove a very competent instructor in all these departments. She will have charge of the music in the public schools at Fernandina. Miss Haile will be with her sister, Mrs. James Linn, who also is a gifted musician and artist. Her many friends here predict for her much success in her work in Fernandina. She was accompanied to St. Louis by her sisters, Mrs. Everett Berker and Miss Willette Haile.

## It is a Pleasure

At the close of this, one of our most successful years, to extend our patrons a most sincere wish for a Prosperous and Happy New Year, with thanks for their liberal patronage, and to solicit a continuance of their favors.

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